MINUTES

OF THE

Nineteenth Annual Session

OF THE

CHESTER ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

DOUBLE SPRINGS BAPTIST

---CHURCH—

OKTIBBEHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Beginning SEPTEMBER 30, 1911.

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.....OFFICERS.....

S. B. Dobbs, Moderator, Ackerman, Mississippi
G. D. Weatherall, Clerk, Elbow, Mississippi

Time and Place of Next Meeting

Providence Church in Choctaw County, Eleven Miles North-west of Ackerman, on I. C. and N. O. & C. Railroads, Saturday before 1st. Sunday in October 1912

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

W. A. Taylor. R. M. Wade, Alternate.

CHESTER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS.

S. B. Dodds, ... Ackerman.....Moderator.
J. D. Weatherall, ...Elbow.....Clerk and Treas.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

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F. R. Burney, ... French Camp.
W. I. Allen, ... French Camp.
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Jasper Watson, ... Maben.
J. T. Ray, ... Maben,
Samuel Edwards, ... Starkville.
W. J. Dobbs, ... Mathiston.

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J. E. Perry .... Chester.
E. T. Taylor .... Ackerman.
Johnny Simpson .... Longview.
Wm. Taylor, ... French Camp.
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Alon Neal .... French Camp.
J. B. Bradley, ... Ackerman.
W. L. Watkins, ... Maben.
W. G. White, ... Maben.

CHESTER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Organization.
2. Call for Petitionary Letters
3. Call for Correspondence.
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13. Report on Ministerial Relief
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16. Report of Southern Baptist Convention Delegate.
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21. Report of Finance Committee.
22. Appointment of Standing Committees.
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HISTORICAL TABLE

Date	Place	Introductory Sermon	Moderator	Clerk
1892	Chester	Organization	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1893	Fellowship	J.H.D. Watson	N. Q. Adame	J. R W. Foster
1894	Bear Creek	H. M. Long	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1895	Bethlehem	W.H. Francher	N. Q. Adgms	J, R. W. Foster
1896	Providence	Chas H.Lewis	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster
1897	Pleasan Ridge	David Burney	W.H. H. Francher	J. R, W. Foster
1898	Bluff Springs	G. S. Jenkins	W. H.H. Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1899	Mount Pisjah	M. L. Oswalt	W.H.H. Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1900	Beu ah	N. Q. Adams	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs
1901	Ackerman	T. J· Bailey	W.H.H,Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1902	Poplar Creek	T. J. Bailey	W.H.H. Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1903	Spring Hill	W.H. Francher	W.H,H. Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1904	Clear Springs	N. Q. Adams	W.H.H.Francher	S. B. Dobbs
1905	Self Creek	J. K. Thornton	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs
1906	Ebenezer	R.A. Eddleman	N. Q. Adams	S, B. Dobbs
1907	Blythe Creek	H. L.Rhodes	N. Q. Adams	S. B. Dobbs
1908	Mount Moriah	J. R. Nutt	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall
1909	Longview	F. R. Burney	S, B. Dobbs	G· D. Weatherall
1910	Bear Creek	J.B.Perry	S. B Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall
1911	Double Springs	R.L. Wallace	S. B. Dobbs	G. D. Weatherall

CHESTER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Missions—A. H. Mahaffey, J. J. Carter and R. L .Wallace.

Systematic Giving—W. I. Allen, D. P. Franks, and T. V. Fox.

Sunday School—H L.. Rhodes, Charley Steele and C. H. Dobbs.

Mississippi College and Ministerial Education—F. R. Burney, L. M. Adams and J. R. W. Foster.

Publications—J. B. Perry, Noah Fondren and C. H. Franklin.

Temperance—J. H. D. Watson, D. M. Berry and Johny Ward.

Sustentation—N. Q. Adams, B. C. McGarrity and G. D. Weatherall

Orphanage—J. J. Carter, G. A. Eddleman and Dr. J. M. Kellum.

Obituaries—Alton Adams, R. D. Prewitt and Joe Weeks.

Digest of Church Letters—H. L. Rhodes, Wilbur Cole and Dr. A. E. Reed.

Laymen's Movement—W. A. Taylor, H. L. Rhodes and J. L. Neely.

Nominations—C. H. Dobbs, E. B. Roberts and Estel Bowie.

Special Committee on Sunday Schools—H. L. Rhodes, W. A. Taylor and Jeff Keene.

OUR DEAD.

Nora Pickle	Ackerman.
Mike McKinley	Beulah.
Lizzie Rainey	Bethlehem.
Elizabeth Hester	Blythes Creek.
Louise Norris	Blythes Creek.
A. Breland	Blythes Creek.
Mrs. L. M. Langston	Bluff Springs.
Mrs. Mollie Fulgham,	Center Grove.
Sallie Moore	Double Springs.
Elmer Sherfield	Double Springs.
J. N. Cummings	Ebenezer.
Mary Brown	Ebenezer.
Mrs. Lucy Cole	French Camp.
Mrs. N. Z. Prewitt	Mt. Moriah.
Rebecca Allen	Mt. Pisgah.
M. A. Gilliam	Mt. Pisgah.
Joseph A. Wilson,	Poplar Creek.
John Trussell,	McCurtains Creek.
M. Watson	New Haven.
Mrs. M. T. Crenshaw	New Haven.
Mrs. M. A. Seitz	New Hope.
J. H. McCarty	Providence.
Tressey Rosamond	Providence.
Way Sanders,	Pleasant Ridge.
C. S. Godfrey,	Pleasant Ridge.
Miss Gene Scarbrough,	Spring Valley.
James P. Robinson	Spring Hill.
Mat Mitchell,	Wood Springs.
Mrs. M. E. Knight,	Crape Creek.
Georgia Busby,	Bethany.
Mrs. Nannie Bruce	Fentress,

DECLARATION OF FAITH

I. OF THE SCRIPTURES.

We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction: that it has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error, for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain to the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried.

2 Tim. 3 : 16, 17. 2 Pet. 1 : 21; 2 Sam. 23 : 2; Acts 1 : 16; 3 : 21; John 10 : 35; Luke 16 : 29-31; Ps. 119 : 111; Rom. 3 : 1, 2.

2 Tim. 3 : 15. 1 Pet. 1 : 10-12; Acts 11 : 14; Rom. 1 : 16; Mark 16: 16; John 5 : 38, 39.

Prov. 30 : 5, 6. John 17 : 17; Rev. 22 : 18, 19; Rom. 3 : 4.

Rom. 2 : 12. John 12 : 47, 48. Cor. 4 : 3, 4; Luke 10 : 10-16; 12 : 47, 48.

Phil. 3 : 16. Eph. 4 : 3-6; Phil. 2 : 1,2; 1 Cor. 1 : 10; 1 Pet. 4 : 11.

John 4 : 1. Isa. 8 : 20. 1 Thess. 5 : 21. 2 Cor. 13 : 5. Acts 17 : 11; 1 John 4 : 6; Jude 3; Eph. 6 : 17; Ps. 119 : 59, 60; Phil. 1 : 9-11.

II. OF THE TRUE GOD.

We believe that there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, intelligent Spirit, whose name is Jehovah, the Maker and Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness, and worthy of all possible honor, confidence, and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

John 4 : 24. Ps. 147 : 5. Ps. 83 : 18. Heb. 3 : 4; Rom. 1 : 20; Jer. 10 : 10.

Exod. 15 : 11. Isa. 6 : 3; 1 Peter 1 : 15, 16; Rev. 4 : 6-8.

Mark 12 : 30. Rev. 4 : 11. Matt. 10 : 37; Jer. 2 : 12, 13.

Matt. 28 : 19. Cor. 12 : 4-6; 1 John 5 : 7.

III. OF THE FALL OF MAN.

We believe that man was created in holiness, under the law of his Maker; but by voluntary transgression fell from that holy and happy state; in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint, but choice; being by nature utterly void of that holiness required by the law of God, positively inclined to evil; and therefore under just condemnation to eternal ruin, without defense or excuse.

Gen. 1:27. Gen. 1:31. Eccl. 7:27; Acts 17:26-29; Gen. 2: 16, 17. Gen. 3:6-24. Rom. 5:12.
Rom. 5:19. Isa. 53:6. Gen. 6:12; Rom 3:9-18.
Rom. 1:32; 2:1-16; Gal. 3:10; Matt. 20:15.
Ezek. 18:19, 20. Gal. 3:22.

IV. OR THE WAY OF SALVATION.

We believe that the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace; through the mediatorial offices of the Son of God; who by the appointment of the Father, freely took upon him our nature, yet without sin; honored the divine law by his personal obedience, and by his death made a full atonement for our sins; that having risen from the dead he is now enthroned in heaven; and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfections, he is every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all-sufficient Savior.

Eph. 2:8. Matt. 18:11; 1 John 4:10; 1 Cor. 3:5, 7; Acts 15:11.
John 3:16. John 1:1-14; Heb. 4:14; 12:24.
Phil. 2:6,7. Heb. 2:9, 14; 2 Cor. 5:21.
Isa. 42:21. Phil. 2:8; Gal. 4:4, 5;Rom. 3:21. Isa. 53:4, 5.

V. OF JUSTIFICATION.

We believe that the great gospel blessing which Christ secures to such as believe in him is Justification; that Justification includes the pardon of sin, and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness; that it is bestowed, not in consideration of any works of righteousness which we have done, but solely through faith in the Redeemer's blood; by virtue of which faith his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us of God; that it brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God, and secures every other blessing needful for time and eternity.

John 1:16. Eph. 3:8. Acts 13:39. Isa. 53:11, 12; Rom. 8:1. Rom. 5:9. Zech. 13:1; Mat.9:6; Acts 10:43. Rom. 5:17. Titus 3:5-7; 1 Peter 3:7; 1 John 2:25; Rom. 5:21. Rom. 4:4, 5. 1 Cor. 1:30, 31; Matt. 6:33; 1 Tim. 4:8.

VI. OF THE FREENESS OF SALVATION.

We believe that the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the gospel; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial, penitent, and obedient faith; and that nothing prevents the salvation of the greatest sinner on earth but his own inherent depravity and voluntary rejection of the gospel which rejection involves him in an aggravated condemnation.

Isa. 55:1. Rev. 22:17. Luke 14:17. Rom. 16:25, 26. Mark 1:15; Rom. 1:15-17. John 5:40. Matt. 23:37; Rom. 9:32; Prov. 1:24; Acts 13: 46.

VII. OF GRACE IN REGENERATION.

We believe that, in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated or born again; that regeneration consists in giving a holy disposition to the mind; that it is effected, in a manner above our comprehension, by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth, so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the gospel; and that its proper evidence appears in the holy fruits of repentance and faith and newness of life.

John 3:3. John 3:6:, 7; 1 Cor. 2:14; Rev. 14:3; 21:27. Cor. 5:17. Ezek. 36:26; Deut. 30:6; Rom. 2:28, 29; 5:5; 1 John 4:7.

VIII. OF REPENTANCE AND FAITH.

We believe that Repentance and Faith are sacred duties, and also inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God; whereby, being deeply convinced of oud guilt, danger and helplessness, and of the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession, and supplication for mercy; at the same time, heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as our Prophet, Priest, and King, and relying on him alone and all-sufficient Savior.

Mark 1:15. Acts 11:18. Eph. 2:8. 1 John 5:1. John 16:8. Acts 2:37, 38.

IX. OF GOD'S PURPOSE OF GRACE.

We believe that Election is the eternal purpose of God, according to which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies, and saves sinners; that being perfectly consistent with the free agency of man, it comprehends all the means in connection with the end; that it is the most glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, being infinitely free, wise, holy, and unchangeable; that it utterly excludes boasting, and promotes humility, love, prayer, praise, trust in God, and active imitation of his free mercy; that it encourages the use of

means in the highest degree; that it may be ascertained by its effects in all who truly believe the gospel; that it is the foundation of Christian assurrance; and that to ascertain it with regard to ourselves demands and deserves the utmost diligence.

2 Tim. 1:8, 9. Eph. 1:3-14; 1 Peter 1:1, 2; Rom. 11:5, 6; John 15: 16; 1 John 4:19. 2 Thes. 2:13, 14. Acts 13:48; John 10:16; Matt. 20: 16; Acts 15:14. 1 Cor. 9:22. Phil. 3:12; Heb. 6:11.

X. OF SANCTIFICATION.

We believe that Sanctification is the process by which, according to the will of God, we are made partakers of his holiness; that it is a progressive work; that it is begun in regeneration; and that it is carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Sealer and Comforter, in the continual use of the appointed means, especially the word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer.

1 Thess. 4:3, 1 Thess. 5:23. 2 Cor. 7:1; 13:9; Eph. 1:4. Prov. 4: 18. Heb. 6:1; 2 Peter 1:5-8; Phil. 3:12-16. 1 John 2:29. Eph. 6:18.

XI. OF THE PERSEVERANCE OF SAINTS..

We believe that such only are real believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

John 8:31. 1 John 2:27, 28; 3:9; 5:18. 1 John 2:19. John 13:18; Matt. 13:20, 21; John 6:66-69. Rom. 8:28.

XII. OF THE HARMONY OF THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL.

We believe that the Law of God is the eternal and unchangeable rule of his moral government; that it is holy, just, and good; and that the inability which the Scriptures ascribe to fallen men to fulfill its precepts arises entirely from their love of sin; to deliver them from which, and to restore them through a Mediator to unfeigned obedience to the holy Law, is one great end of the gospel, and of the means of grace connected with the establishment of the visible church.

Rom. 3:31. Matt. 5:17; Luke 16:17; Rom. 3:20; 4:15. Rom. 7:12. Rom. 7:7,14, 22; Gal. 3:21; Ps. 119. Rom. 8:7, 8. Rom. 10:4; Heb. 8:10; 12:14; Jude 20, 21.

XIII. OF A GOSPEL CHURCH.

We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of bapized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellow-

ship of the gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by his laws; and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges invested in them by his word; that its only scriptural officers are Bishops, or Pastors, and Deacons, whose qualifications, claims, and duties are defined in the epistles to Timothy and Titus.

1 Cor. 1:1-13. Matt. 18:17; Acts 5:11; 8:1; 11:21-23; 1 Cor. 4:17; 14:23; 3 John 9. Acts 2:41, 42. Acts 14:23; 15:22; 1 Tim. 3; Titus 1.

XIV. OF BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER.

We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion in water of a believer, into the name of the Father, and Son, and Holy Ghost; to show forth, in a solemn and beautiful emblem, our faith in the crucified, buried, and risen Savior, with its effect in our death to sin and resurrection to a new life; that it is prerequisite to the privileges of a church relation; and to the Lord's Supper; in which the members of the church, by the sacred use of bread and wine are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ; preceded always by solemn self-examination.

Acts 8:36-39. Matt. 3:5, 6; John 3:5, 6; John 3:22, 23; 4:1, 2; Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 8:12; 16:32-34; 18:8. Matt. 28:19. Acts 10:17, 48; Gal. 3:27, 28.

XV. OF THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.

We believe that the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath; and is to be kept sacred to religious purposes, by abstaining from all secular labor and sinful recreations; by the devout observance of all the means of grace, both private and public and by preparation for that rest that remaineth for the people of God.

Acts 20:7. Gen. 2:3; Col. 2:16, 17; Mark 2:27; John 20:19; 1 Cor. 16:1, 2. Exod. 20:8. Rev. 1:10. Isa. 58:13, 14.

XVI. OF CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

We believe that civil government is of divine appointment, for the interrests and good order of human society; and that magistrates are to be prayed for, conscientiously honored, and obeyed; except only in things opposed to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the only Lord of the conscience, and the Prince of the kings of the earth.

Rom. 13:1-7. Deut. 16:18; 2 Sam. 23:3: Exod. 18:23; Jer. 30:21. Matt. 22:21. Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13; 1 Tim. 2:1-3. Acts 5:29. Matt. 10:28.

XVII. OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED.

We believe that there is a radical and essential difference be-

tween the righteous and the wicked; that such only as through faith are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and sanctified by the Spirit of our God, are truly righteous in his esteem; while all such as continue in impenitence and unbelief are in his sight wicked, and under the curse; and this distinction holds among men both in and after death.

Mal. 3:18. Prov. 12:26; Isa. 5:20; Gen. 18:23; Acts 10:34, 35; Rom. 6:16. Rom. 1:17. Rom. 7:6. 1 John 2:29. 1 John 3:7; Rom. 6:18, 22; 1 Cor. 11:32; Prov. 11:31; 1 Peter 4:17, 18. John 5:19.

XVIII. OF THE WORLD TO COME

We believe that the end of the world is approaching; that at the last day Christ will descend from heaven, and raise the dead from the grave to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place; that the wicked will be adjudged to endless punishment, and the righteous to endless joy; and that this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.

1 Peter 4:7. 1 Cor. 7:29-31; Heb. 1:10-12; Matt. 25-31; 28:20; 13: 39-42; 1 John 2:17; 2 Peter 3:3-13. Acts 1:11. Rev. 1:7; Heb. 9:28; Acts 3:21; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; 5:1-11 Acts 24:15.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over each other in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour, to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage, that when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant, and the principles of God's word.

..PROCEEDINGS.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Chester Baptist Association met in its nineteenth annual session with Double Springs church, Oktibbeha County, Miss., on the 30th day of Sept. 1911.

It was called to order at 10 o'clock by the Moderator. After singing "How Firm A Foundation" the Moderator read the 12 chapter of Roman, was led in prayer by H. M. Whitten

The Moderator then appointed a finance committee consisting of D. M. Berry, F. Preast and O. F. Chamblee.

Rev. N. Q. Adams moved that the present Moderator and Clerk be re-elected which was adopted. Bro. Adams then led in a special prayer.

On motion of F. R. Burney, W. A. Taylor and A. Neal were seated as delegates from French Camp church . Bro. Jno. Gregg was seated from Providence, Sister B. C. McGarrity was recognized from Ruhama.

Called for Correspondence, Louisville Association—T. J. Sargent and N. B. Wallace.

Kosciusko Association—H. M. Whitten.

Returned Correspondence, Louisville—N. Q. Adams, W. I. Allen and R. L. Wallace.

Yazoo—F. R. Burney.

Kosciusko—F. R. Burney and A. Neal.

Bro. Stephens and Sister Smith were seated as delegates from Bethany.

Delegates to States Convention—J. B. Perry, F. R. Burney, S. B. Dobbs, Avery Mills, A. H. Mahaffey, W. I. Allen and G. D. Weatherall.

On motion A .Breland and Gene Scarborough were added to our list of dead.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS

A motion was made that the chairman of the committee on Digest of Letters not read the statistical part of his report but after some discussion it was lost.

To the Chester Baptist Association assembled in its Nineteenth annual session:

Your committee on Digest of Church Letters in acknowledging gratitude to God for his many and manifold blessings bestowed, are rejoiced to report an increased interest along all lines of giving and especially to the cause of Missions. Reports from 33 churches show that $945.58 have been paid to Missions this year against $402.21 last year, an increase of a little more than 135 per cent. We attribute this increase to the apportionment plan adopted last year, and to the faithful work done by the Laymen's Committee .. Some of the churches have paid a little more than they were assessed for, while some have paid a little less, but the returns show that most of the churches have tried to pay about the amount asked for.

There has been no material change in the number of baptisms this year, the number reported being 138.

Very respectfully submitted,

H. L. RHODES.

We submit for your consideration the following:

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Ackerman—A H. Mahaffey, S. B. Dobbs, H. L. Rhodes, R. D. Prewitt, W. L. Pinnix.

Bean Creek—J. G. Francher, R. M. Wade, E. B. Roberts, O. Landrum.

Bethany—J. R. Smith, W. A. Bradshaw, M. Busby, J. A. Jones.

Bethlehem—James Black, Benton Oswalt, Gus Graves.

Beulah—J. W. Bates, N. A. Coleman, H. C. Black, R. B. Bowie.

Blythe's Creek—S. F. Fondren, F. T. Miligan, A. R. Hester, W. L. Bradberry.

Bluff Springs—C. H. Franklin, J. H. Edwards, W. F. Stanton, W. W. Bagwell.

Cypress—

Crape Creek—Claud Fox, Pat Box, Ed Seymour, Harmon Smith.

Clear Springs—R. H. Gregg, S. M. Fant, T. N. Rosamond, J. W. Ramage.

Center Grove—W. E. Douglas, J. W. Fulgham, J. T. Ray, T. [illegible] Hamilton.

Double Springs—L. O. Oswalt, S. A. Reed, T. C. Archibald, J. H. Shurden.

Ebenezer—J. A. Vaughn, J. W. Pearson, J. T. Neely, Albert Mitchell.

Fellowship—J. A. Klutts, W. E. Middleton, J. F. Woodward, T. M. Jones.

French Camp—J. B. Perry, F. R. Burney, J. ... Wilson, J. J. Carter, W. I. Allen.

Fentress—Sam Keen, Charley Quinn.

Longview—Jack Edwards, E. L. Hall.

Mt. Pisgah—H. A. Allen, J. A. Hunter, J. P. Bowles, C. S. Bowles.

Mt. Moriah—J. G. Coleman, Charley Weeks, J. H. Power, Charley Prewitt, Jr.

Mt. Olivet—V. V. Skelton, O. L. Ray, M. D. McKee, J. T. McKee.

McCurtains Creek—Henry Hodges, Will Nail, James Trussell, John E. Trussell.

New Hope—J. E. Roberts, J. B. Malone, T. B. Edwards.

New Zion—Blumma Burford, Tom King, Paul Burks, C. M. Hodges.

New Haven—G. D. Weatherall, N. W. Nail, O. F. Chamblee, A. J. Campbell.

Poplar Creek—G. H. Booth, J M. Kemp, Mal Riddell, Bettie Riddell.

Providence—Will Huddleston, Arvy Mills, T. B. McCarty, W. L. Mills.

Pleasant Ridge—N. Q. Adams, W. N. Taylor, W. W. Sanders, G. R. Vaughn.

Ruhama—B. C. McGarrity, Will L. Edwards, J. T. Melton.

Spring Valley—Arthur Griffin, Dan Livingston, J. F.Langston, C. H. Dobbs.

Sturgis—L. A. Fondren, R. O. Cotton, Addie Stroud.

Self Creek—E. B. Sherman, F. Priest, James Brooks, C. Y. Scoggins.

Spring Hill—Smith Bradberry, J. T. Fondren, Robt. L. Long, Dr. J. M. Kellum.

Weir—T. J. McWhorter, W. R. Hodges, R. E. Hunt.

Wake Forest—D. M. Berry, J. J. Cutts, R. E. Hannah, R. D. Doodson.

Wood Springs—T. V. Fox, Joe Collier, Willis Woods.

The regular order of business was suspended to hear the introductory sermon by Bro. R. L. Wallace. He read the 16th chapter of Mark and took the 15th verse as his text. His subject was, "Our Commission, the World's Need and our Obligation to Both." He preached a very able sermon on the Great Commission.

The Association then adjourned till 1:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Come together by singing. Led in prayer by F. R. Burney.

The Moderator then appointed R. M. Cotton, B. C. McGarrity, C. H. Dobbs and the deacons of this church a committee on Devotianal Exercises.

Rev. F. R. Burney made a motion that a committee be appointed to examine our articles of faith, and if they think necessary to revise them.

The Moderator appointed F. R. Burney, W. A. Taylor, A. H. Mahaffey, B. C. McGarrity and R. L. Wallace on said committee.

On motion H. L. Rhodes, E. B. Roberts and J. L. Neely were appointed on apportionment.

Bro. H. L. Rhodes made a motion that the membership of this association include the officers and members of standing committees. Adopted.

Bro. W. I. Allen made a motion that a Preachers Institute be organized. Carried.

MISSION REPORT.

Bro. R. L. Wallace then read the report on Missions, which is as follows:

The ever broadening horizon of the mission work calls fourth our best efforts, our most earnest prayers, our greatest gifts and our strongest men and women.

Our missionaries have wrought well this year and God has wonderfully blessed their labors, which only increases the demand for more money and more workers. The fields are indeed white unto harvest, but the laborers are few.

We, as Baptist, believe that God intended the Gospel for the whole world, and also that upon his children is placed the great responsibility of carrying the Gospel to them that have it not, with the promise of His presence and help.

In the New Testament Jesus speaks thus: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," and again: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." How can any child of God

turn a deaf ear to a commission like that?

Our Foreign Mission work has gone forward with marked progress during the past year, but closed the year's work with a heavy debt, which binds its hands, in a way, until our enlarged gifts shall loose them and send the work to greater heights of glory for our God.

The nations of the world are throwing their doors wide open to our missionaries, and the tide towards Republican forms of Government, that is sweeping the world to day presents a greater field of labor for Baptist people, than ever before. Let us lend our hearts, our hands, and our money to this great work of spreading the knowledge of our Lord over the earth.

Our Home Mission work sounds a note of triumph and gathers its forces for greater work. Our Southland, God's favored section, is the main field of Home Missios. This section is having the most marvelous growth in wealth and population of any section of our country to day. The large number of people coming to the South every year from foreign countries brings an increasing demand for greater work. We must conquer for Christ, or be conquered. We must hold the field for God or Catholicism will spread its curse over our fair Southland.

May God help us to arm ourselves with the Gospel of peace and hold this country for him.

Our State Mission Work. What must I say about it? Open your ears and listen to the cry that comes up from many sections of our state, for help! help! help!!, to which our board must turn a deaf ear because of the lack of funds. We need $50000 a year to spend on needy fields in Mississippi.

Our work is moving forward, but we can not begin to meet the need with the small amount being given by the churches over the state.

We have about 1,800,000 people in Mississippi, and only about 360,000 church members, of which number about 155,000 are white Baptist.

We have no city problem in Mississippi, but lots of weak places that need our help, to enable them to hold their own against other influences and to keep pace with the growth in other ways.

This association has done very little towards evangelizing the world. Let us wake up. Our people are not hard hearted neither are they indifferent. They just need a vision of the world's need and their duty. It is gratifying to note the advance made over last year, $945.00 against $402.21 last year. Brethern let us not be satisfied until King Emanuel rules and reigns in every heart and home

not only in our own State, but in all the earth.

Respectfully submitted by

R. L. Wallace, for Committee.

It was spoken to by R. L. Wallace. Then a motion to amend by adding what has been done this year was adopted. The original report was then spoken to by F. R. Burney, A. H. Mahaffey, W. A. Taylor and H. L. Whitten, and adopted.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

The report on Systematic Giving was read by J. B. Perry and after being discussed by J. B. Perry and W. I. Allen was adopted. The report is as follows:

Every church must have some method in her missionary endeavor and why not adopt the best on every vocation of life to succeed and succeed well it requires system. Then if we should accomplish the most possible results in advancing the Master's Kingdom we must give liberally and in a systematic way. The Chester Association with her 3,883 members gave to State, Home and Foreign Missions last year $402.21, less than 10½ cents per member. Brethren, what about our stewartship? Have we done our best? Have we given the Lord his own? Mat. 38-11, "Will a man rob God yet ye have robbed me. Bring the tenth into the store house and try me and see if I will not open you the window of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it"—Gen. 28:22. "And of all that the Lord shall give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee."—Gen. 27-32. "And concerning the tithe of the herd or of the flock, even of what soever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord."—Gen. 14:20. 'And blessed be the most high God of heaven which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand and He gave tithes of all."—1 Cor. 16:2. Paul says upon the first day of the week let every one lay by him in store as God hath prospered him that there be no gatherings when I come." Your committee urges that the pastors of the various churches plead with their Brethern to give the tenth and give in a systematic way, either weekly or monthly.

Brethern we will never win this world for Jesus Christ in a haphazard way. But as God's redeemed children, on business for the King, may we listen to the Maccadonian cry from every part of the earth, and rise up in the might and power of our God to conquer a lost world for Him, in a business and systematic way.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Perry.
W. I. Allen.

PUBLICATIONS.

The report on publication was read by H. L. Rhodes, and after being discussed by him, was adopted.

The civilization enjoyed by the world today, the progress made along all lines, the achievements in science, the advancement in religion, the general broadening of the vision of world wide interests and obligations are the results of reading. We would be far in the back ground were it not for the products of the printing press.

Reading brings us into the society and the spiritual presence of the greatest and best of our race. The beauties of life are opened to us. "The world is full of glorious likenesses, the poet's power is to sort these out." By reading we may hear Milton singing of paradise. Shakespeare opens to us the working of the human heart, and we may be greatly enriched by the practical knowledge of Franklin. Reading well chosen books introduces us to the world's best company. We are admitted into the confidence and hearts secrets of the masters of the past; the spirit of their courage is breathed upon us. "We are taught the secret of their nobleness and heroism until in wrapt communion we grow into their aims and achievements and make them our own."

The Baptists of the world have been a large factor in securing and maintaining the freedom of the press. We ought therefore to take advantage of it and use it largely for our good. There are many good books and papers that ought to be read, but first of all let us make the Bible our daily companion, studying it with prayer and devotion that it may be food for our minds and souls.

The Baptist Record is the organ of the State Baptist Convention. It is the only paper that gives first handed and officially the doings of the denomination. This paper has for many years stood for all that the churches in their organized councils fostered. Every well informed Baptist reads the State paper, and no one can be well informed on Baptist work and undertakings in the State who does not read the Baptist Record. It not only gives the information along the line mentioned, but its editorials and contributed articles are as sound in the faith as any that can be found. It stands solidly for Missions, for Christian education, for Sunday Schools, for the Orphanage, for temperance, and law and order, for Ministerial relief; in fact for every thing that has a tendency toward the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

The Foreign Mission Journal, and The Home Field tell all about Foreign, and Home Missions. The Orphanage Gem tells about the Orphanage and everything connected with it. The literature published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., should be

used in all our Sunday Schools.

We especially recommend the paper and periodicals mentioned to be read by our people. There are many other good papers within easy reach and those who have the time and inclination to read more can find good reading matter in them.

Very respectfully submitted,

H. L. Rhodes.
C. H. Franklin.

The committee on devotional exercises made the following report: H. M. Whitten preach at Self Creek Saturday night and A. H. Mahaffey Sunday night. A. H. Mahaffey in the church Sunday at 11 o'clock; H. M. Whitten in grove. J. T. Sargent in the house at 2 p. m., and F. R. Burney in grove.

A motion to suspend the regular order of business and select the next place of meeting was lost.

On motion Bro. Lewis was seated as delegate.

On motion adjourned till 9 o'clock Sunday morning.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Came together by singing "Amazing Grace." Led in prayer by F. R. Burney. Song "There is a Fountain Filled With Blood." Bro. F. R. Burney conducted devotional exercises, which were very uplifting.

The Sunday School report was read by A. H. Mahaffey and after being discussed by him, J. T. Sargent and W. A. Taylor, was adopted. The report is as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Well has it been said that "the Sunday School is the teaching serviceof the church." To say that Sunday School is the church engaged in teaching would destroy the idea of worship done by the school is not a separate department of the church existing independent of the main body of the church; but it is the church under special regulations, acting and leading in divine teaching and service.

The church that has no school of any description is practically powerless. It is twelve months in the year away down below normal conditions suitable for spiritual, social or financial prosperity. It can never be ready to do its best possible service. It is constantly dodging or playing with the interests of our great denomination. Such a church is a church only in the literal or organic sense. The

members of a church of that sort may sit together in christian worship occasionally, but they do not walk very far together in christian love and fellowship.

Answer the question, "Why have Sunday School any way?"

To this many answers may be given and all, or most of them, may be objected to. Some objections would be because you do not find the term Sunday School in the Scriptures. Others because the denominations have worked out and adopted a systematic line of study teaching their respective doctrines. The only plausible answer is because the Scripturres support the principle and idea on which the well ordered school lives and grows.

In II Chronicles, 17th chapter is found Jehoshephat's itinerant Bible schools or institutes, led by the princes and Levites who taught the book of the law of the Lord to the people and cities of Judah. As the result "fear of the Lord fell upon all the kingdoms of the land that were about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshephat."

Neh. 8 records Nehemiah's Bible school where Ezra, the priest, was standing above the people and all day long read and interpreted the book of the Lord to the people. As a result "all the people answered, amen, amen, with the lifting up of their hands, and they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. All the people wept when they heard the words of the law."

Christ in the New Testament went about teaching and preaching the gospel of the kingdom of heaven. Paul and Barnabus met with the churches at Antioch and searched the Scriptures daily. Apollas having been instructed in the Lord's way, was mighty in the Scriptures.

(80-70) B.C . the synagogue folk made the Bible, or religious schools obligatory on all Jews. Bunson, a noted historian, said: "Bible schools were the connecting links between the Apostolic churches and the world." Truly the modern Sunday School idea has been information since the days of the apostles.

The workers in the Sunday School are the main workers in the church. As a rule they bear the mental and spiritual burdens of not only the local church, but of the cause at large. Sunday school folk help the pastor to keep the prayer meeting going, the mission spirit growing and the various interests of the denomination supported.

The fruits of a good active school are numerous. Statistics show that between 85 and 90 per cent of all conversions have been Sunday school pupils. A good Sunday School is a good agent for

evangelism, the development of church fellowship and christian graces.

We urge that every church in this association have a good, active and well organized Sunday School before another meeting of this body is had.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur H. Mahaffey.

Adjourned till 1:30.

At 11 o'clock Sunday A. H. Mahaffey preached in the house. He read 2nd Psalm. Subject: "God the Author of Missions, Jesus the Founder of Missions, and believers the agents of Missions." H. L. Whitten preached in the grove at the same hour. At the close of the 11 o'clock service a collection was taken for associational purposes amounting to $16.97.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Came together by singing. Led in prayer by Jasper Watson. The regular order of business was suspended and the report on the Orphanage was read by W. A. Taylor, and is as follows:

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

Your committee on the Orphanage is delighted to note some progress since last report. Last year 18 churches contributed $100.00 against $109.00 the year before. This year we are pleased to report $225.80, more than double the amount for the past two years. We think the increase is due largely to the fact that the I. C. R. R. put on a free train to Jackson on a certain date in December. The new building has been completed since last report, and the Home can now easily care for 300 children. This, brethern, requires double responsibility. The home is ready, the number has already been increased; but the Home is worth nothing unless we redouble our efforts and give Bro. Carter something with which to clothe and feed them. The writer had the pleasure of going through the Home the last days of May and it was a solemn sight of responsibility. The children are being trained better there than in the average home. We recommend that the Moderator of this association and of the Kosciusko association make arrangements as they did last year, for free transportation of all boxes and supplies gotten up within the bounds of the association.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. A. Taylor, for Committee.

After being discussed by himself and F. R. Burney, a collection was taken amounting to $26.52. F. R. Burney moved that the report be amended by requesting the churches to take a Thanksgiv-

ing offering for the Orphanage. The report was adopted.

The special committee on Articles of Faith reported 18 articles which were unanimously adopted, and will be found in the first of this book.

MONDAY MORNING.

S. B. Dobbs being absent, N. O. Adams acted as Moderator. A few moments were spent in devotional exercises.

The Moderator appointed John Gregg, B. C. McGarrity, and Sam Fant a committee on nominations.

The report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education was read by F. R. Burney, and after being discussed by himself, J. B. Perry, A. H. Mahaffey, N. B. Wallace, R. L. Wallace, C. H. Dobbs and W. A. Taylor, was adopted.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE.

Mississippi College, as an educational institution stands second to no educational institution in the State, and we think it peer to any in the South. For more than half a century it has been under the control of the Baptist of the State of Mississippi. In that time it has passed through perils; perils of epidemic, perils of financial panic, short crops and low prices, but each time it emerged with a greater determination to rise to higher grounds, and it stands better equipped with brighter prospects than ever before in its history.

Mississippi College is the only educational institution owned and controlled by the Baptist of the State and an institution of which they may well be proud. In the past it has done a great work, and is destined to do far greater things in the future.

Eight years ago we had only $40.000 endowment, and ground and buildings worth about $40.000. The report of trustees shows that in the last two years that there has been added two new buildings worth $75,000 and one of the finest science buildings of any school in the South worth $40,000. While all this improvement has been going on in the past 10 years there has been added $75,000 to the endowment fund. Thank God that daylight has dawned and that our people are standing by the institution as never before.

During the past 10 years the patronage of the college has doubled, the course of study has been greatly enlarged, and has cut off most of the preparatory work, leaving that to be done by high schools. Now the college does the work of a college. They are graduating now on an average of 100 men every three years to go out and bless the world (for such they are) in filling every vocation in

life. The prospects are glorious, having had the largest enrollment at its opening it has ever had in its history. Many thought that the resignation of its former president, Dr. W. T. Lowery, would materially affect, and greatly cripple the college. But not so, for it seems that God had raised up a man in the person of Dr. Provine to take up the work and push it on to greater things.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Is Christianity true. Is it the duty of some men to spend their lives impressing its facts, expounding its principles and standing as embassadors for its perfect and divine founder, who is sufficient for these things. Every sincere heart must answer no man. His sufficiency must be from above, and yet how can any man gain his consent to stand under such responsibility without the highest possible development of his God given powers.

Above all men the preachers of today need to acquire the power of accurate thinking and speaking before his audience that he might speak with clearness and with power. To do this, that God given power must be thoroughly trained, and trained aright. In the judgment of your committee there are few more important subjects than the education of the ministry. A God called and God given ministry is imperative if there is to be prosperity, Soul prosperity, in our Zion. But these God-called men must have an adequate training to fully equip them for the work whereunto they have been called.

Your committee recommends that we, as Baptist people, give more attention to the education of our young people, and more especially the preacher boys of today, who will be the men of tomorrow; and that we stand by our own educational institutions and rally to their support, especially Mississippi College which is the only college we own and control today.

Respectfully submitted,
F. R. Burney.

A motion was carried that the Chairman of committees be allowed ten minutes and others five mintes.

The report on Temperance was taken up and is as follows:

TEMPERANCE.

We, the committee on Temperance, beg to submit the following report:

The primary meaning of temperance is moderation in regard to the indulgence of the natural appetites and passions. God means for us to be temprate in all things so that our lives are not filled with such an excess of sin that there is no redemption.

But the very fact that today, when we hear the word intemper-

ance, we scarcely think of anything except the evils of the saloon and beer shops, shows to what an extent the whiskey habit has grown. It entices our boys from their homes and sends them forth as tramps and vagabonds in the land.

It is true that our state is wide prohibition, passed by an act of the last legislature, yet hundreds of dollars are spent each year ordering the deadly liquor that destroys manhood and life. This demon has dragged down the gifted and the noble from all classes and filled our asylums and prisons, but temperance is making good progress under the white flag of prohibition and with the aid and sympathy of all lovers of home and happiness and the prayers without ceasing of all the good people of the land it can yet be improved as each year goes by and it can be further said that if this association would adopt some plan to induce every member of its body to practice total abstinence it would be a great blessing and influence upon others outside the churches and would doubly repay for the sacrifices, if sacrifices we may call it.

We further state that intemperance is one of the greatest enemies to human progress and development temporally, mentally, physically and spiritually, that the world has ever known, and that there has been more men who became wrecks, more women who have died premature deaths, more children in rags, more criminals in jail, more lunatics in the asylum, more men in poverty, and more tramps in want on account of intemperance than all the combined froces of Satan put together.

Let us continue to work and pray for temperance in all things.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Q. Adams.

After being discussed by R. L. Wallace and J. A. Hunter, was adopted.

LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

On motion the body took up the report on Laymen's Movement. After being discussed by A. H. Mahaffey a motion was made that a committee be appointed to condense the report. The Moderator appointed A. H. Mahaffey, C. H. Dobbs and Jesse Neely on said committee.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The report on sustentation was read by J. H. D. Watson and after a few appropriate remarks a motion was made that every church be requested to take a collection in December for sustentation or as a Christmas gift to aged ministers. The report was adopted and is as follows:

The spirit of charity underlies all the New Testament teaching with reference to the poor. Preachers are almost always poor from

the necessity of the case. Old age comes to them only to find them broken down and worn out by a life of service to others and nothing for a support for their remaining few days. As a rule they have wrought well. They have spoken more than the lawyers, they have written almost as much as the editors, they have visited as much as the physicians; but, judging from the amount of pay received, their labors have been very little appreciated. They have possibly received a very meager support while they were actually engaged in the work, but nothing to lay by to comfort and cheer them in their old age. They are forced out on life's billowy wave with nothing to sustain except the consciousness of having spent their lives trying to help and bless the people among whom they have ministered.

The gospel of Christ is a gospel of love, and love means charity. Then out of a heart of charity let us remember our aged ministers and help in sending an answer to their prayer when they with the Psalmist cry:

"Forsake me not when my strength faileth. Even when I am old and gray headed, O God, forsake me not."

Very respectfully submitted,

J. H. D. Watson,
B. C. McGarrity.

Bro. Burney offered the following resolution which was adopted. That the clerk be instructed to have 1000 copies of the minutes printed and prorated among the churches and he be allowed $15.00 for his service.

Our delegate, J. B. Perry, to the Southern Baptist Convention made his report which was adopted, and his expenses of $32.00 allowed.

Bro. W. A. Taylor was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and Robert Wade alternate.

NOMINATIONS.

The report on Nomination was read and is as follows:

We your committee on nomination beg leave to report the following:

We recommend Bro. A. H. Mahaffey to preach the next introductory sermon. W. I. Allen, alternate.

We recommend as executive committee, Bro. Lester Buck, Bro. Money Adams, Bro. Charlie Weeks.

We put in nomination for the place for the association to meet next year in Fellowship with Poplar Creek Providence.

Respectfully,

B. C. McGarrity,
S. M. Fant,
J. E. Gregg, Committee.

A motion was made to amend the report so as to make Providence the next place of meeting.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution by F. R. Burney was unanimously adopted:

Resolved that the thanks of this body be and is hereby tendered this church and community at large for their royal entertainment and many acts of kindness shown us during our stay among them.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer then made the following report:

		Paid A.V . Rowe.....	
Bal. from last year .....$	19 40		
Received of Finance Com.	171 77		
		Postage on Statements	50
		Home Missions	30 65
		Foreign Missions	20 20
		State Missions	20 50
		Ministerial Education	2 50
		J. R. Carter, Orphanage....	29 15
		Paid for Minutes	37 75
		Postage on same	7 10
		Postage on State Minutes ..	50
		Paid Clerk	15 00
		Postage on Letter Blanks..	1 50
		Bal. on hand	26 32
	$191 17		$191 17

APPORTIONMENT.

The committee on Apportionment made the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee on Apportionment beg to submit the following report, with the recommendation that the pastors make an effort to raise the amounts asked for from the churches they serve.

CHURCH.	Foreign	Home	State
Ackerman	$ 75 00	$ 75 00	$ 100 00
Bear Creek	40 00	30 00	30 00
Bethany	11 00	1 00	1 00
Bethlehem	30 00	25 00	20 00
Beulah	60 00	30 00	35 00
Blythes Creek	5 00	3 00	3 00
Bluff Springs	10 00	7 50	7 50
Cypress	6 00	4 00	4 00
Crape Creek	2 00	1 00	2 00
Clear Springs	3 00	2 00	3 00
Center Grove	2 00	1 00	2 00
Danbee Springs	7 50	7 50	7 50
Ebenezer	1 50	1 50	1 50
Fellowship	7 50	3 00	4 00
French Camp	50 00	30 00	40 00
Fentress	5 00	5 00	5 00
Longview	10 00	10 00	10 00
Mt. Pisgah	5 50	5 50	5 50
Mt. Moriah	10 00	7 50	10 00
Mt. Olivet	4 50	4 50	4 50
McCurtain Creek	1 00	2 00	2 00
New Hope	7 50	7 50	7 50
New Zion	10 00	7 50	5 00
New Haven	7 50	7 50	7 50
Poplar Creek	10 00	10 00	10 00
Providence	4 00	3 00	3 00
Pleasant Ridge	15 00	10 00	10 00
Ruhoma	15 00	12 50	15 00
Spring Valley	10 00	10 00	20 00
Sturgis	12 50	12 50	10 00
Self Creek	10 00	10 00	10 00
Spring Hill	10 00	10 00	5 00
Weir	15 00	10 00	20 00
Wake Forest	7 50	7 50	7 50
Wood Springs	2 00	1 00	2 00
Totals	$468 00	$365 50	$ 425 50
	4 50	9 50	4 50
Grand Total	$472 50	$375 00	$ 430 00
			$1277 50

Very respectfully submitted,
H. L. Rhodes,
J. L. Neely,
E. B. Roberts.

The special committee to condense Laymen's report offered the following, which was adopted.

Your committee appointed to condense the report of Bro. W. A. Taylor on Laymen's Movement submit the following:

Meetings were held at Mathiston, Weir, Poplar Creek and New Haven. At these meetings there was discussed the various mission

interests of our denomination.

At all these places there was good attendance, good attention and great interest manifested for State, Home and Foreign missions.

Some of the speakers at these four meetings were brethren who had not been accustomed to speaking in public. We report from them good work done . We hope that they will continue to lead in this great movement, which means to solicit the interest and efforts of every Baptist to the support of world wide missions.

As a result of these meetings we report that the people who attended them expressed their gratitude to the chairman who arranged for these meetings to be held in their respective communities.

The collection at these four places amounted to $34.90 for missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur H. Mahaffey,
C. H. Dobbs,
J. G. Neely.

John Black and Bob Wallace were seated as delegates.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted.

We, your committee on Finance report the following:

Amount received for Minutes,	$49 00
For Associational Purposes	10 70
For State Missions	33 15
For Home Missions	16 30
For Foreign Missions	15 75
For Ministerial Education	35
For Orphanage	22 40
Collection for same	26 52
Collection for Associational purposes	16 97
Total	$191 19

F. Preast,
O. F. Chamble,
D. M. Berry.

W. A. Taylor was made manager of Laymen's Movement and he named the following places to hold meetings next year:

Sturgis—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in November, 1911.
New Zion—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in February, 1912.
Beulah—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in May.
Blythe Creek—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in July.

The Association then adjourned to meet with Providence church Saturday before the first Lord's day in October, 1912.

S. B. Dobbs, Moderator. G. D. Weatherall, Clerk.

CHURCHES	Value of Church Property	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	Sunday School Expenses
Ackerman	9500 00	500 00	191 18	161 80	112 25	88 11
Bear Creek	800 00	224 00	------	------	28 00	------
Bethany	500 00	------	------	------	4 10	------
Bethlehem	700 00	125 00	------	------	------	------
Beulah	600 00	200 00	------	15 90	34 00	9 00
Blythes Creek	665 00	61 50	64 60	------	12 45	------
Bluff Springs	400 00	100 00	------	------	25 00	4 00
Cypress	------	------	50 00	------	------	------
Crape Creek	------	------	------	------	4 00	------
Clear Springs	450 00	75 00	15 92	------	14 00	------
Center Grove	400 00	50 00	------	------	10 00	------
Double Springs	800 00	50 00	14 00	------	7 00	------
Ebenezer	250 00	------	------	------	------	------
Fellowship	450 00	125 00	------	------	13 50	------
French Camp	1800 00	400 00	131 46	32 36	------	10 15
Fentress	500 00	80 00	------	------	22 50	------
Long Branch	------	25 00	------	------	5 00	5 00
Longview	1000 60	100 00	------	3 00	6 00	------
Mt. Pisgah	300 00	175 00	9 90	------	5 15	------
Mt. Moriah	600 00	125 00	62 00	------	5 15	------
Mt. Olivet	------	------	------	------	------	------
McCurtain Ck.	500 00	------	------	------	------	------
New Hope	400 00	60 00	------	1 50	11 00	4 00
New Zion	750 00	110 00	------	------	------	------
New Haven	750 00	------	------	------	7 00	------
Poplar Creek	1000 00	150 00	------	------	11 00	5 00
Providence	400 00	51 35	4 10	------	------	------
Pleasant Ridge	500 00	150 00	14 00	------	31 55	3 60
Ruhama	400 00	66 00	------	6 95	------	------
Spring Valley	2000 00	200 00	17 37	2 65	10 90	53 00
Spring Hill	800 00	100 25	------	75 00	21 25	------
Sturgis	1350 00	156 50	------	10 00	28 00	6 00
Self Creeck	1000 00	150 00	52 26	------	17 75	4 50
Weir	1200 00	60 00	225 00	------	50 00	------
Wake Forest	------	------	------	------	------	------
Wood Springs	600 00	------	------	------	------	------
Totals	31365 00	3669 60	851 79	309 16	496 55	192 36

interests of our denomination.

At all these places there was good attendance, good attention and great interest manifested for State, Home and Foreign missions.

Some of the speakers at these four meetings were brethren who had not been accustomed to speaking in public. We report from them good work done. We hope that they will continue to lead in this great movement, which means to solicit the interest and efforts of every Baptist to the support of world wide missions.

As a result of these meetings we report that the people who attended them expressed their gratitude to the chairman who arranged for these meetings to be held in their respective communities.

The collection at these four places amounted to $34.90 for missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur H. Mahaffey,
C. H. Dobbs,
J. G. Neely.

John Black and Bob Wallace were seated as delegates.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted.

We, your committee on Finance report the following:

Amount received for Minutes,	$49 00
For Associational Purposes	10 70
For State Missions	33 15
For Home Missions	16 30
For Foreign Missions	15 75
For Ministerial Education	35
For Orphanage	22 40
Collection for same	26 52
Collection for Associational purposes	16 97
Total	$191 19

F. Preast,
O. F. Chamble,
D. M. Berry.

W. A. Taylor was made manager of Laymen's Movement and he named the following places to hold meetings next year:

Sturgis—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in November, 1911.
New Zion—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in February, 1912.
Beulah—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in May.
Blythe Creek—Saturday before the 3rd Sabbath in July.

The Association then adjourned to meet with Providence church Saturday before the first Lord's day in October, 1912.

S. B. Dobbs, Moderator. G. D. Weatherall, Clerk.

CHURCHES	Value of Church Property	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Objects	Orphanage	Schools and Colleges	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Minutes and Clerk	Total
Ackerman	9500 00	500 00	191 18	161 80	112 25	88 1	00 00	00 00	75 00	116 20	50 70	41 00	10 00	00 00	55 70	00 00	2 00	1403 94
Bear Creek	800 00	224 00	------	------	28 00	------	------	------	30 60	8 00	42 00	7 20	13 25	------	------	------	3 00	356 05
Bethany	500 00	------	------	------	4 10	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	3 50	------	------	------	1 00	8 60
Bethlehem	700 00	125 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	16 85	16 85	------	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	160 20
Beulah	600 00	200 00	------	15 90	34 00	9 0	21 00	------	30 50	25 00	63 25	60 35	29 70	------	------	10 00	2 00	500 70
Blythes Creek	665 00	61 50	64 60	------	12 45	------	------	1 50	3 20	2 00	3 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	149 75
Bluff Springs	400 00	100 00	------	------	25 00	4 0	------	2 10	5 00	5 00	7 50	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	150 10
Cypress	------	------	50 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	15 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	66 50
Crape Creek	------	------	------	------	4 00	------	20 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 90	------	------	------	1 00	26 90
Clear Springs	450 00	75 00	15 92	------	14 00	------	------	------	1 00	2 00	2 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 00	110 92
Center Grove	400 00	50 00	------	------	10 00	------	------	50	------	70	50	------	1 00	------	------	------	1 00	63 70
Double Springs	800 00	50 00	14 00	------	7 00	------	------	1 00	1 00	3 00	4 00	------	5 00	------	------	------	1 50	86 50
Ebenezer	250 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	50	50	------	50	------	2 00	------	------	------	1 00	4 50
Fellowship	450 00	125 00	------	------	13 50	------	------	------	3 00	2 00	6 50	------	------	------	------	------	1 25	150 80
French Camp	1800 00	400 00	131 46	32 36	------	10 1	5 00	------	46 32	------	66 67	------	107 50	------	10 00	------	1 50	810 96
Fentress	500 00	80 00	------	------	22 50	------	------	1 00	1 40	2 80	------	------	1 85	------	------	------	1 00	110 55
Long Branch	------	25 00	------	------	5 00	5 0	------	------	2 50	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	50	38 00
Longview	1000 60	100 00	------	3 00	6 00	------	------	------	3 00	2 85	6 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 25	122 10
Mt. Pisgah	300 00	175 00	9 90	------	5 15	------	------	------	4 00	4 00	4 00	------	------	------	------	------	70	202 75
Mt. Moriah	600 00	125 00	62 00	------	5 15	------	------	------	------	2 50	10 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 70	206 35
Mt. Olivet	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	2 50	2 50	4 50	------	6 00	------	------	------	1 25	16 75
McCurtain Ck.	500 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	1 10	------	------	------	------	2 00	------	------	------	1 00	4 10
New Hope	400 00	60 00	------	1 50	11 00	4 0	------	------	5 00	5 00	5 00	------	13 65	------	------	------	1 10	106 25
New Zion	750 00	110 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	6 50	6 20	------	5 85	------	------	------	1 00	129 55
New Haven	750 00	------	------	------	7 00	------	9 05	------	2 00	1 40	12 29	3 80	7 00	------	------	------	1 50	44 04
Poplar Creek	1000 00	150 00	------	------	11 00	5 0	------	------	------	------	20 40	------	------	------	------	------	3 00	180 40
Providence	400 00	51 35	4 10	------	------	------	5 75	------	------	2 65	2 15	------	5 00	------	------	------	1 25	72 25
Pleasant Ridge	500 00	150 00	14 00	------	31 55	3 6	------	1 00	5 50	5 75	21 50	------	------	------	------	5 50	1 50	239 90
Ruhama	400 00	66 00	------	6 95	------	------	------	------	13 60	11 25	13 60	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	112 90
Spring Valley	2000 00	200 00	17 37	2 65	10 90	53 0	------	------	17 35	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	2 50	303 77
Spring Hill	800 00	100 25	------	75 00	21 25	------	------	------	4 00	8 00	8 00	------	------	------	------	------	2 00	218 50
Sturgis	1350 00	156 50	------	10 00	28 00	6 0	------	------	7 25	10 50	11 35	------	------	------	------	------	1 25	230 85
Self Creeck	1000 00	150 00	52 26	------	17 75	4 5	184 00	50	11 00	1 00	10 50	75 35	8 05	------	6 25	------	2 00	523 16
Weir	1200 00	60 00	225 00	------	50 00	------	------	------	15 00	5 00	15 15	------	------	------	------	------	1 50	371 65
Wake Forest	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	5 60	4 00	4 00	------	------	------	------	------	1 25	14 85
Wood Springs	600 00	------	------	------	------	------	7 00	------	------	------	------	------	2 55	------	------	------	1 00	10 55
Totals	31365 00	3669 60	851 79	309 16	496 55	192 3	251 80	9 20	312 67	271 45	400 81	187 70	225 80	------	71 95	15 50	52 00	7318 34

STATISTICAL TABLE

	CHURCHES	PASTOR	POSTOFFICE	CLERK	PO	STOFFICE	IN Baptism
1	Ackerman	A H Mahaffey	Ackerman	L M Adams	Ack	rman	7
2	Bear Creek	H M Whitten	Kosciusko	R L Fancher	McC	ool	3
3	Bethany	B E Watson	Weir	J L Busby	Ack	rman	
4	Bethlehem	A H Mahaffey	Ackerman	P M Snow	Ack	rman	2
5	Beulah	H M Whitten	Kosciusko	H B Black	McC	ool	4
6	Blythes Creek	N Q Adams	Sturgis	A R Hester	Mat	iston	
7	Bluff Springs	J R G Hewlett	Eupora	J H Bagwell	Eup	ra	11
8	Cypress	R D Mann	Loakfoma	J F Williams	Stu	gis	
9	Crape Creek	David Reems	Ethel	C E Erwin	Kil	icheal	1
10	Clear Springs	J B Perry	French Camp	S M Fant	Che	ter	8
11	Center Grove	Jasper Watson	Maben	J W Douglass	Mab	n	1
12	Double Springs	Jasper Watson	Maben	J L Neely	Mab	n	5
13	Ebenezer	B E Watson	Weir	J W Pearson	Elb	w	1
14	Fellowship	J T Sargent	Ackerman	T M Jones	Mat	iston	17
15	French Camp	A H Mahaffey	Ackerman	L L Sloan	Fre	ch Camp	
16	Fentress	N Q Adams	Sturgis	J W Worrell	Pen	ress	3
17	Longview	R L Wallace	Sturgis	W W Hall	Lon	view	6
18	Mt. Pisgah	J R G Hewlett	Eupora	H A Allen	Eup	ra	1
19	Mt. Moriah	J B Perry	French Camp	J G Coleman	Wei		
20	Mt Olivet	R L Wallace	Sturgis	J T McKee	Stu	gis	1
21	McCurtain Creek	J D Burns	Ethel	C J Buse	Wei		
22	New Hope	J B Cole	Maben	T B Edwards	Lon	view	
23	New Zion	J H D Watson	Weir	Paul Rurks	Wei		
24	New Haven	J H D Watson	Weir	J A Chamblee	Wei		
25	Poplar Creek	J T Sargent	Ackerman	L J Booth	Kil	ichael	7
26	Providence	J H D Watson	Weir	N A Adams	Wei		
27	Pleasant Ridge	R L Wallace	Sturgis	J A Brown	Bra	ley	18
28	Ruhama	A H Mahaffey	Ackerman	J R W Foster	Che	ter	
29	Spring Valley	E J Hill	Union	W S Harvey	Mat	iston	12
30	Sturgis	R L Wallace	Sturgis	J R Long	Stu	gis	5
31	Self Creek	N B Wallace	Louisville	E O Neely	Mab	n	4
32	Spring Hill	N B Wallace	Louisville	J W Rickels	Ack	rman	21
33	Weir	H M Whitten	Kosciusko	R E Hunt	Wei		6
34	Wake Forest	N B Wallace	Louisville	R E Hannah	Stu	gis	
35	Wood Springs	R A Barintine	Coila	J M Nail	Wei		1
36	Long Branch	C E Bland		J A Watkins			146

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CLERK	PO	STOFFICE	INCREASE				DECREASE				Membership
			Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Total	Letter	Expulsion	Death	Total	
Adams	Ack	rman	7	10		17	10	1	1	12	167
Fancher	McC	ool	3	5	1	9	4		5	9	273
Busby	Ack	rman		4	1	5	4	1	1	6	82
Snow	Ack	rman	2			2	4	1	1	6	113
Black	McC	ool	4			4	5		1	6	110
Hester	Mat	iston		5	11	16			2	2	141
Bagwell	Eur	ra	11	1		12	5		1	6	120	
Williams	Stu	gis		1		1			2	2	77
Erwin	Kil	icheal	1			1		2	3	5	72
Fant	Che	ter	8			8					93
Douglass	Mal	en	1	1		2	3		1	4	98
Neely	Mal	en	5	2		8	7	1	2	10	160
Pearson	Elb	w	1	4		5			2	2	65
Jones	Mat	iston	17	6		23					127
Sloan	Fre	ch Camp		3		3	2		1	3	108
Worrell	Fen	ress	3	2		5					115
Hall	Lon	view	6			6			1	1	111
Allen	Eup	ra	1	2		3	3		2	5	108
Coleman	Wei			1		1	2	3	1	6	105
McKee	Stu	gis	1			1					67
Buse	Wei						1		1	2	97
Edwards	Lon	view			2	2		2	1	3	63
Rurks	Wei			2		2	3	2		5	103
Chamblee	Wei			3	3	6	4	1	2	7	200
Booth	Kil	ichael	7	4		11			1	1	116
Adams	Wei			2	1	3			2	2	155
Brown	Bra	ley	18	5		23	1		2	3	199
Foster	Che	ter					2			2	48
Harvey	Mat	iston	12	10		22	11		1	12	140
Long	Stu	gis	5	4		9	2			2	63
Neely	Mal	n	4	6		10	4			4	150
Rickels	Ack	rman	21	6		27	3		1	4	160
Hunt	Wei		6	4		10		2		2	34
Hannah	Stu	gis		1		1					84
Hail	Wei			1		1	2	1	1	4	47
Watkins			1	2		3					17
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